(c) whether Government had received any proposal to rehabilitate the dependents of BSF jawans; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government had approved a five year scheme for Modernization of BSF alongwith 5 other Central Para Military Forces which is under implementation since 2002 with an estimated outlay of Rs. 2330.85 crores. The scheme envisages equipping the force with better weaponry, enhanced mobility, advanced communication and surveillance equipment, special protective gear and modern training aids etc.

(c) and (d) The Government have received a proposal for creation of a Board for Welfare and Rehabilitation of the Next of Kins of personnel of Central Police Organisations (CPOs) killed in action and those who suffer disabilities. The proposal is under consideration.

Special grant to modernize police in Gujarat

2410. SHRI LAUTBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Gujarat has sent any proposal for a special grant to modernize and equip the Police Force of the State;

(b) if so, the status of the proposal; and

(c) whether any specific assistance is being considered for borders with Pakistan in Banaskantha and Kutch districts of Gujarat to check illegal migrants and to protect the borders?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) The State Government of Gujarat has sent their annual plan for modernization of the State police for 2005-06 which is being finalized.

(c) Under the Coastal Security Scheme, assistance is provided to the Coastal States and Union Territories for strengthening infrastructure for patrolling and surveillance of the coastal areas by setting up police stations

equipped with appropriate vehicles, vessels, equipment, trained manpower etc. in the coastal areas. Government of Gujarat has recently proposed a perspective plan under the above Scheme.

Monitoring the NGOs engaged in rehabilitation of Tsunami victims

2411. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how many NGOs are presently engaged in the rehabilitation exercise of Tsunami victims in the affected States;

(b) whether Government have adopted any monitoring mechanism to ensure that only genuine NGOs work and the unscrupulous and blacklisted voluntary organizations do not get any access to funds in the name of rehabilitation of Tsunami victims; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) to (c) The NGOs, are not required to intimate the Ministry of Home Affairs about the funds and material collected by them and the utilization thereof. These organizations are required to file their accounts and or returns to appropriate authorities where these are registered. The Government is considering the feasibility of formulating guidelines to regulate the collection and utilization of funds raised for the purpose of providing relief and rehabilitation to the victims of natural and man made disasters.

IT distribution system by NDMC

2412. DR. PRABHA THAKUR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the NDMC propose to carry out IT distribution system in North Avenue, South Avenue, Chanakyapuri and other VIP areas to cope with the increasing demand of electricity and also procurement and installation of electronic meters during the year 2005-06; and

(b) how much amount has been provided for these services and what is the present position and whether these would be completed during the year 2005-06 as announced by the Chairperson, NDMC?